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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Superintendents, Charter Holders, Principals, and Testing Coordinators

**FROM:** Dr. Robert J. Franciosi  
Deputy Associate Superintendent

**DATE:** August 20, 2008

**SUBJECT:** **IMPORTANT. UPDATED Deadlines/Timetable for 2008 Test Results, Achievement Profiles, and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Evaluations. (REF: RE8004-E)**

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This memo is to provide you new dates for the release of:

- Aggregate AIMS science test scores;
- AZ LEARNS Achievement Profiles for schools;
- Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) evaluations for schools, districts, and charter holders;

and to advise you of other important dates for this year's accountability season, including deadlines for appeals. The dates in this memo supersede those in the memo dated March 10, 2008.

### Release Dates

The ADE will release information to schools, districts, and the public on the dates provided below.

Embargoed release to districts/schools		Public release	
AIMS Science scores available via the ADE Common Logon.	<b>September 15, 2008</b>	AIMS, AIMS DPA, and TerraNova scores.	<b>September 17, 2008</b>
Preliminary AYP evaluations for all schools and districts.	<b>September 3, 2008</b>	Final AYP evaluations for all schools and districts.	<b>October 1, 2008</b>
Preliminary AZ LEARNS Achievement Profiles for all schools.	<b>September 3, 2008</b>	Final AZ LEARNS Achievement Profiles for all schools	<b>October 8, 2008</b>

## Deadlines for the Submission of Information

Following are the deadlines for the 2008 appeals process for AZ LEARNS and AYP. All deadlines are for 4 p.m.

Data Collection or Application	Opening Date	Closing Date
AYP substantive appeals.	September 3, 2008	September 12, 2008
AZ LEARNS substantive appeals	September 3, 2008	September 12, 2008

**NOTE. Aggregate test results in any form, including summary results for the graduating class of 2008; preliminary AZ LEARNS profiles; and preliminary AYP evaluations are embargoed and are not to be shared with the public until the public release by the Arizona Department of Education (ADE). This information may be shared with staff only on a need-to-know basis.** Test score results for individual students may be shared with the students, parents, teachers, and other staff in order to make educational decisions related to specific students.

I apologize for the inconvenience caused by the change in dates, and appreciate your attention to these upcoming calendar events as well as your ongoing cooperation. Research and Evaluation will be providing you more detailed information, directions for completing applications, and reminders regarding each of the events outlined in this memo as they approach. Please be sure to share this information with district and school staff as necessary.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Research and Evaluation at 602-542-5151 or email [achieve@azed.gov](mailto:achieve@azed.gov).